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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, JANUARY 21, 2003

APPLICATION OF

MIKROTEC COMMUNICATIONS OF VIRGINIA, LLC

CASE NO. PUC-2002-00178

For certificates of public convenience and necessity to provide local exchange and interexchange telecommunications services

FINAL ORDER

On September 23, 2002, Mikrotec Communications of Virginia, LLC ("Mikrotec" or the "Company"), completed an application for certificates of public convenience and necessity with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") to provide local exchange and interexchange telecommunications services throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia.

By Order dated October 17, 2002, the Commission directed the Company to provide notice to the public of its application and directed the Commission Staff to conduct an investigation and file a Staff Report. On December 16, 2002, the Company filed proof of publication and proof of service as required by the October 17, 2002, Order.

On January 8, 2003, the Staff filed its Report finding that Mikrotec's application was in compliance with the Commission's Rules Governing the Offering of Competitive Local Exchange Telephone Service ("Local Rules") and the Rules Governing the Certification of Interexchange Carriers ("IXC Rules"). Based upon its review of Mikrotec's application, the Staff determined it would be appropriate to grant the Company certificates to provide local exchange and interexchange telecommunications services subject to the following condition: should Mikrotec collect customer deposits, it shall, prior to collecting such deposits, establish and maintain an escrow account for such funds, held in a Virginia office of a duly chartered state or national bank, savings and loan association, savings bank, or credit union that is unaffiliated with Mikrotec and shall notify the Division of Economics and Finance of the escrow arrangement at its inception and any subsequent change to the arrangement. Any escrow arrangement established pursuant to this requirement shall be maintained until such time as the Staff or Commission determines it is no longer necessary.

NOW THE COMMISSION, having considered the application and the Staff report, finds that the Company should be granted

¹ 20 VAC 5-400-60.

certificates to provide local exchange and interexchange telecommunications services.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- (1) Mikrotec Communications of Virginia, LLC, is hereby granted a certificate of public convenience and necessity, No. TT-186A, to provide interexchange telecommunications services subject to the restrictions set forth in the Commission's Rules Governing the Certification of Interexchange Carriers, § 56-265.4:4 of the Code of Virginia, and the provisions of this Order.
- (2) Mikrotec Communications of Virginia, LLC, is hereby granted a certificate of public convenience and necessity, No. T-601, to provide local exchange telecommunications services subject to the restrictions set forth in the Rules Governing the Offering of Competitive Local Exchange Telephone Service, § 56-265.4:4 of the Code of Virginia, and the provisions of this Order.
- (3) The Company shall provide tariffs to the Division of Communications that conform with all applicable Commission rules and regulations.
- (4) Should Mikrotec Communications of Virginia, LLC, collect customer deposits, it shall, prior to collecting such

deposits, establish and maintain an escrow account for such funds, held in a Virginia office of a duly chartered state or national bank, savings and loan association, savings bank, or credit union that is unaffiliated with Mikrotec and shall notify the Division of Economics and Finance of the escrow arrangement at its inception and any subsequent change to the arrangement. Any escrow arrangement established pursuant to this requirement shall be maintained until such time as the Staff or Commission determines it is no longer necessary.

(5) There being nothing further to come before the Commission, this case shall be dismissed and the papers filed herein placed in the file for ended causes.